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NOTICE OF FILING AND PUBLIC HEARING

D. T. E. 01-42 May ____, 2001

Investigation by the Department of Telecommunications and Energy on its own motion as to the propriety of initial rates and charges as set forth in the following tariffs: M.D.T.E. Nos. 1 and 2, filed by Pinehills Water Company, Inc.

One April 13, 2001, Pinehills Water Company, Inc. ("Company") filed a petition with the Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department"), requesting approval of initial rates of \$2,337,000.00 annually. The Company proposes rates that will be on average about \$8.00 per thousand gallons, plus certain recurring and one-time charges.

The Department has suspended the date of the proposed increase to October _, 2001, pursuant to G.L.c. 164 §94 and G.L.c. 165, §2, for further investigation. This investigation has been docketed as D.T.E. 01-42. The Department has scheduled a public hearing to receive comment on the Company's petition on:

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A procedural conference will be held on ______, 2001 at the Department's offices at One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts, at 10:00 a.m.

A copy of the petition may be inspected at the Department's offices, One South Station, Boston, MA 02110 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.; Plymouth Town Hall, 11 Lincoln Street, Plymouth, MA 02360 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. or contacting Pinehills Water Company, 33 Summerhouse Drive, Plymouth, MA 02360 (508) 209-9000. Persons interested in commenting on the petition may appear at the public hearing or file written comments with:

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary D.T.E. 01-42 Department of Telecommunications and Energy One South Station, 2nd Floor Boston, MA 02110

Any person who desires to participate in this proceeding must file a petition for leave to intervene with Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary, Department of Telecommunications and Energy, One South Station, 2nd Floor, Boston, MA 02110, no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on ______. A petition for leave to intervene must satisfy the timing and substantive requirements of 220 C.M.R. §1.03(1). Receipt by the Department, not mailing, constitutes filing. A petition filed late may be disallowed as untimely, unless good cause is shown for waiver under 220 C.M.R. §1.01(4). To be allowed, a petition under 220 C.M.R. §1.03(1) must satisfy the standing requirements of G.L.c. 30A, §10.

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The Department requests that all pleadings, including comments and petitions to intervene, also be submitted to the Department in electronic format using one of the following methods: 1) by email attachment to dte.efiling@state.ma.us, or 2) on a 3.5" floppy diskette, IBM-compatible format. The text of the email or the diskette label must specify: 1) an easily identifible case caption (Pinehills Water Company, Inc.), 2) docket number (D.T.E. 01-42), 3) name of the person or company submitting the filing and 4) a brief descriptive title of document (i.e., comments or petition to intervene). The electronic filing should also include the name, title and phone number of a person to contact in the event of questions about the filing. Text responses should be written in either WorkPerfect (naming the documet with a ".wpd" suffix) or in Microsoft Word, (naming the document with a ".doc" suffix). Data or spreadsheet responses should eb compatible with Microsoft Excel. Documents submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department's Website, http://www.magnet.state.ma.us/dpu.

By Order of the Department Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary

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